

TOWN OF COTTAGE GROVE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town Board of the Town of Cottage Grove will hold a public hearing at 6:30 P.M. on Monday, June 15, 2026, at the Cottage Grove Town Hall, 4058 County Road N, to receive public comments on proposed amendments to the following section of the Town's Code of Ordinances.

- Amending Section 25.04 of the Town Code of Ordinances to revise parking violation penalties and general enforcement methods.

All interested parties are invited to attend said hearing and be heard. The proposed amendment is attached or available for viewing at the Town Hall, 4058 County Road N, Cottage Grove, WI. Any person who has a qualifying disability, as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act, who requires the meeting or materials at the meeting to be in an accessible location or format must contact the Town Clerk-Treasurer at (608) 839-5021 or clerk@tn.cottagegrove.wi.gov at least 24 hours prior to the commencement of the meeting so that any necessary arrangements can be made to accommodate each request.

After the public hearing, the Town Board will consider adoption of the proposed amendment.

Kim Banigan, Clerk-Treasurer
Town of Cottage Grove
Posted 06/04/2026

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF COTTAGE GROVE, WISCONSIN

Adopted pursuant to Sec. 25.01 of the Town of Cottage Grove Code

Title: Ordinance 2026-06-16 Revising section 25.04 of the Town Code of Ordinances

Code Section(s) amended	<u>25.04</u>
Presented to Board by	<u>Town Clerk-Treasurer</u>
Committee Review by	<u>None</u>
Attorney Review by	<u>Atty. William Cole</u>
Date(s) Public Hearing(s) held (if required)	<u>06/15/2026</u>
Date adopted	<u></u>
Vote	<u></u>
Date of posting of adoption of ordinance	<u></u>
Date of publication of adoption of ordinance	<u></u>

The Town Board of the Town of Cottage Grove does ordain as follows:

Section 25.04 of the Town of Cottage Grove Code or Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

25.04 PENALTY PROVISIONS

(1) FORFEITURES AND BAIL DEPOSITS

Whenever so provided in this code, any person who shall violate any provision of this code shall, upon conviction of such violation, be subject to a penalty as described below:

(a) All ordinances adopted from state statutes shall carry the assigned bail schedule and forfeiture range as stated in the following state of Wisconsin schedules, as set down by the Wisconsin judicial conference:

1. Revised Uniform State Traffic Deposit Schedule
2. Alcoholic Beverages, Harassment and Safety Violations
3. Uniform Misdemeanor Bail Schedule
4. Trespass to Land Deposit Schedule
5. Conservation, Boating, Snowmobile and ATV Violations
6. As set down in § 939.61, Wis. Stats.

(b) All other ordinances adopted by the Town shall carry penalties as described below: (Minimum and Maximum Penalties for each offense are indicated in parentheses.)

**FORFEITURE
CLASS**

**FORFEITURE/BAIL
TOTAL**

A ~~PARKING VIOLATIONS—OTHER THAN PARKING
IN SPACES RESERVED FOR VEHICLES
DISPLAYING SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES OR
SPECIAL IDENTIFICATION CARDS~~

PARKING IN PROHIBITED AREAS OR
IMPROPER PARKING

~~\$10.00~~40.00

~~PARKING VIOLATIONS IN AREAS OF THE STREET,
ROAD OR HIGHWAY WHERE PARKING IS
RESTRICTED OR PROHIBITED BY A POSTED "NO
PARKING" SIGN. THE PENALTY FOR SUCH
VIOLATION SHALL BE \$40.00, PROVIDED, A \$20.00
REDUCTION SHALL BE GRANTED FOR PAYMENT
WITHIN TEN DAYS OF ISSUANCE OF THE
CITATION, INCLUDING THE DAY THE CITATION
WAS ISSUED.~~ \$40.00

PARKING IN SPACES RESERVED FOR VEHICLES
DISPLAYING SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES ~~\$50.00~~ 150.00
OR SPECIAL IDENTIFICATION CARDS

B	FIRST VIOLATION	\$25.00
	SUBSEQUENT VIOLATIONS –WITHIN 12 MONTHS (\$25-\$100)	\$100.00
C	FIRST VIOLATION (\$25-\$75)	\$75.00
	SUBSEQUENT VIOLATIONS -WITHIN 12 MONTHS (\$75-\$500)	\$500.00
D	FIRST VIOLATION (\$50-\$500)	\$500.00
	SUBSEQUENT VIOLATIONS -WITHIN 12 MONTHS (\$500-\$1500)	\$1,500.00
E	A CONVICTION OF AN ACT OR OMISSION PROHIBITED BY THIS CODE, FOR WHICH NO PENALTY IS EXPRESSLY SPECIFIED	(NOT TO EXCEED) \$200.00

(c) The schedule of deposits for use with municipal citations issued under this section shall be adopted and periodically reviewed by the Town Board. This schedule shall be maintained on file in the office of the Town Clerk and the Dane County Sheriff's Department. All deposits shall be in US currency, money order, or check, payable to: Municipal Court, Town of Cottage Grove. An itemized receipt shall be provided for all monies received.

(2) CONTINUING VIOLATIONS

(a) Each violation, and each day a violation occurs, or continues, shall constitute a separate offense.

(b) The Town Board may take whatever corrective action they deem to be appropriate, to resolve any continuing violations, of any provision, of any Town ordinance that effects the health and safety of any person, provided the person responsible for the violations has been given legal notice that such action will be taken, and has first been given the opportunity to take prompt corrective action.

(c) The municipal court, pursuant to the limits established in Ch. 800, Wis. Stats. may by court order, direct that corrective action be taken, and restitution made, or that a forfeiture be imposed for failure to make said correction and restitution.

(3) ENFORCEMENT METHOD

(a) Violations of any provision of a Town ordinance shall be enforced by the issuance of a municipal citation ~~(form MC-2000)~~, which shall contain the information required by § 800.02, Wis. Stats. or by the issuance of a Wisconsin uniform citation ~~(form MV-4016)~~, when the violation is of a state traffic law.

(b) Any law enforcement officer may issue citations authorized under this section. Additionally, the following Town officials may issue citations with respect to the ordinance which are related to their official responsibilities:

1. Fire Chief
2. Building Inspector
3. Weed Commissioner
4. Highway Superintendent

~~(b)(c)~~ All costs incurred by the Town, as a result of an enforcement action directed taken to resolve a continuing violation, other than those taken as a result of a court order, shall be charged to the property involved, and shall be entered on the official tax roll, as a special assessment against said property.

~~(c)(d)~~ Costs incurred by the Town, as a result of a court order, shall be reimbursed to the Town as specified in said order, up to the statutory limits of said court.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2026, by a vote of _____ for, _____ against, with ____ abstentions.

TOWN OF COTTAGE GROVE

ATTEST:

Steven Anders, Town Chair

Kim Banigan, Town Clerk-Treasurer